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**MIN-HO ARMY BARRACKS AL 1**



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**GROUND FORCE FACILITIES**

**CHINA**

**APRIL 1972**

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INSTALLATION NAME AND MILITARY REGION

Min-ho Army Barracks AL 1

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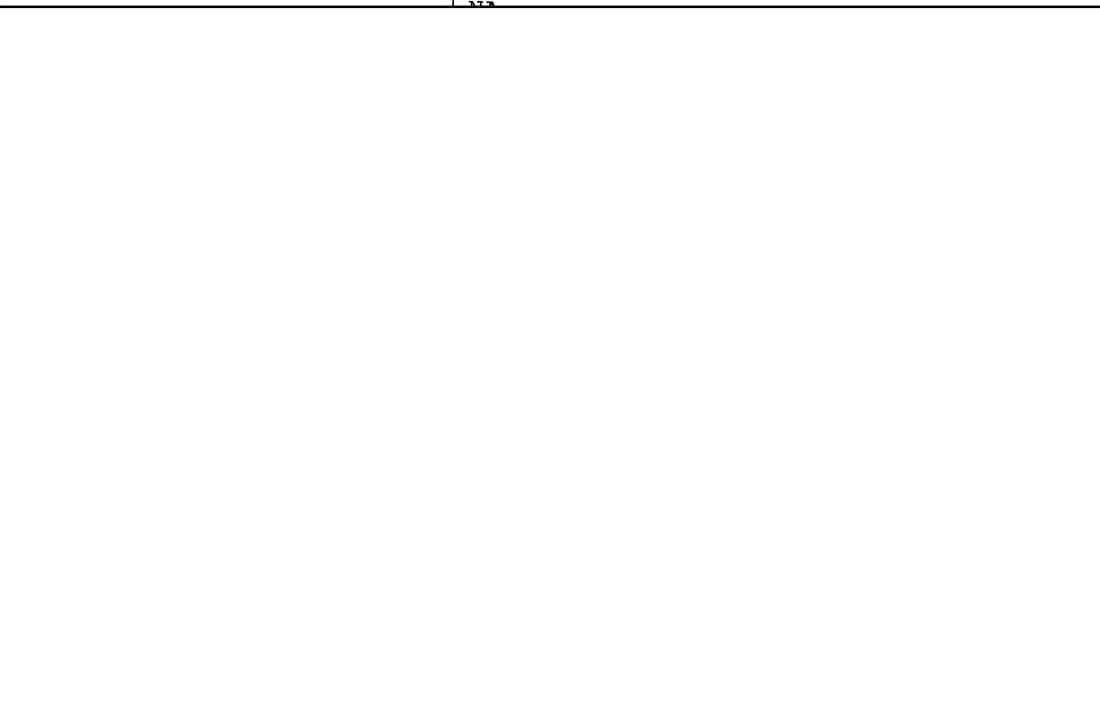
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#### DOCUMENTS

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INSTALLATION: Min-ho Army Barracks AL 1, Lan-chou MR,  
China

LOCATION: Min-ho Army Barracks AL 1 is approximately  
1 nautical mile (nm) northeast of Min-ho  
and 53 nm west-northwest of Lan-chou. The  
installation adjoins the town of Hsiang-tang.

GENERAL: This installation consists of two separate  
sections which have been in use since at  
least 1961. Major changes to the installa-  
tion since then include a complete recon-  
struction of areas Af and Ai in 1966, com-  
plete reconstruction of Area Aa in 1968, and  
the addition of area Ac, which was observed  
under reconstruction on [REDACTED]

Each of the two separate sections of the  
installation could probably house a regiment.

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Covered parking revetments, totaling approxi-  
mately 97, have been under construction here  
since before [REDACTED]

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Accuracy Statement:

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Square footage was determined by the conver-  
sion factor: 1 square meter equals 10.76 square  
feet.

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| Function/Description | Overall Dimensions |      | Floorspace |         |
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Area Aa - Billeting Area

2 barracks #6,7  
 18 barracks #8-11,14-17  
 22-25,28-33  
 2 barracks #18,19  
 1 poss barracks/support  
 bldg 35  
 5 messhalls #12,13,26,  
 27,34  
 1 latrine #20  
 2 major support bldgs #4,5  
 Animal pens and  
 associated sheds #21  
 1 basketball court #5a

Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Aa

Barracks  
 Poss Barracks/Support

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Area Ab - Billeting/Possible Administration Area

1 prob quarters #36  
 1 prob quarters #37  
 1 prob quarters #38  
 1 prob quarters #43  
 1 prob quarters #44  
 4 prob quarters #45,47,  
 52,53  
 1 prob quarters #46  
 1 prob quarters #54  
 1 prob quarters #48  
 1 latrine #39  
 4 support bldgs #40,49,  
 50,51  
 1 row of animal pens  
 and associated sheds  
 #41,42

Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ab

Prob Quarters

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Comments: Prob quarters #48 may be administration.

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Area Ac - Billeting Area

2 barracks #64,67  
 9 barracks #65,73,75,  
 77,80-84  
 1 barracks #69  
 1 barracks #71  
 1 barracks #85 ucon  
 4 barracks with prob  
 kitchen #66,74,76,78  
 1 barracks with prob  
 kitchen #68  
 1 poss latrine #72  
 1 major support bldg  
 #70  
 1 row of animal pens  
 with associated shed  
 #79

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ac

Barracks  
Barracks (with prob  
kitchens)

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Area Ad - Billeting Area

5 barracks #92-94,96,  
97  
1 barracks #98  
1 barracks with prob  
kitchen #95  
2 major support bldgs  
#99,100  
1 minor support bldg  
#91  
Animal pens with  
associated sheds #101

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ad

Barracks  
Barracks (with prob  
kitchens)

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Comments: Buildings originally in this area were being replaced when  
observed on coverage of

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Area Ae - Billeting/Support Area

4 prob quarters #207,  
208,212,213  
1 prob quarters #210  
1 prob quarters #211  
1 prob quarters #209  
1 prob quarters #214  
1 prob storage bldg  
#199  
1 prob storage bldg  
#203  
1 poss storage bldg  
#200  
2 major support bldgs  
#197,204  
1 minor support bldg  
#206  
3 stockpens and  
associated sheds  
#196,198,205  
2 basketball courts  
#201,202

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ae

Prob Quarters  
Prob Storage  
Poss Storage

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Comments: Probable quarters #211 may contain a kitchen and probable  
quarters #209 and 214 include a possible administration  
portion. Probable storage buildings #199 and 203 may be  
barns.

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Area Af - Billeting Area

4 barracks #216-219  
 16 barracks #222-225,  
 228-231 234-237,  
 241-244  
 5 messhalls #215,221,  
 227,233,240  
 3 major support bldgs  
 #220,238,245  
 4 minor support bldgs  
 #226,232,239,246

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Af

Barracks

Comments: Each of the five messhalls serves four barracks, as in  
 area Ai.

Area Ag - Billeting/Admin Area

8 quarters #260,261,  
 272-277  
 2 prob quarters  
 #250-251  
 3 prob quarters #252,  
 253,255  
 1 prob quarters #254  
 2 prob quarters #259,  
 262  
 1 prob quarters #263  
 1 prob quarters #264  
 1 prob quarters #265  
 1 prob quarters #266  
 2 prob quarters #270,  
 271  
 1 prob quarters #279  
 1 prob quarters #280  
 1 prob quarters #287  
 1 prob quarters #288  
 2 prob quarters #290,  
 291  
 2 prob quarters #293  
 294  
 1 prob quarters #295  
 1 prob quarters #298  
 1 prob quarters #281  
 1 prob quarters #292  
 1 poss quarters/support  
 bldg #256  
 1 poss quarters/support  
 bldg #257  
 1 poss quarters/support  
 bldg #299  
 2 auditoriums #258,282  
 1 admin bldg #289  
 1 prob kitchen with  
 messhall #249  
 1 prob kitchen #296  
 1 poss messhall #297  
 1 latrine #248  
 2 minor support bldgs  
 #267,284  
 1 equipment/vehicle  
 storage shelter #285

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|                      | Meters             | Feet | Sq Meters  | Sq Feet |

3 stockpens with  
associated sheds  
#247,268,286  
1 basketball court #283  
(with seating and  
lighting)

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#### Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ag

Quarters  
Prob Quarters  
Poss Quarters/Support  
Equipment/Vehicle Shelters

Comments: This area has remained essentially unchanged since 1961. The installation is probably administered from this area. In addition to the administration function of building #289, some of the buildings in this area which are designated as probable quarters may have an administration function. Probable quarters #281 and 292 possibly contain kitchens.

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#### Area Ah - Billeting/Support Area

1 prob quarters #305  
1 prob quarters #309  
1 prob quarters #312  
1 prob quarters #314  
1 prob quarters #315  
1 prob quarters #307  
2 prob storage bldgs  
#302,323  
1 poss storage bldg  
#317  
1 poss storage bldg  
#319  
3 prob latrines #306,  
308,316  
3 major support bldgs  
#310,311,325  
3 minor support bldgs  
#313,321,322  
1 row of sheds #303  
3 stockpens and  
associated sheds  
#304,320,324  
1 basketball court #318

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#### Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ah

Prob Quarters  
Prob Storage  
Poss Storage

Comments: Probable storage buildings #302 and 323 may be barns.  
Probable quarters #307 probably contains a kitchen.

#### Area Ai - Billeting Area

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16 barracks #327-333,  
338-342,349-352  
4 barracks #357-360  
3 prob storage bldgs  
#336,347,355  
5 messhalls #326,337,  
343,348,356

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| Function/Description                   | Overall Dimensions |      | Floorspace |         |
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|  | Meters             | Feet | Sq Meters  | Sq Feet |
| 2 prob latrines #345,<br>354           |                    |      |            |         |
| 2 major support bldgs<br>#334,344      |                    |      |            |         |
| Stockpens and<br>associated sheds #335 |                    |      |            |         |
| 2 basketball courts<br>#346,353        |                    |      |            |         |

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ai

Barracks  
Prob Storage

Area Ba - Vehicle Parking/Support Area

3 major support bldgs  
#1-3  
1 basketball court #3a

Comments: Major support buildings #2 and 3 may possibly serve an administration function.

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Area Bb - Vehicle Parking/Support Area

1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #59  
1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #60  
1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #63  
1 prob root cellar 57  
5 basketball courts  
#55,56,58,61,62

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Bb

Vehicle/Equipment  
Storage Sheds

Comments: The vehicle/equipment storage sheds may be temporary structures.

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|----------------------|--------------------|------|------------|---------|
|                      | Meters             | Feet | Sq Meters  | Sq Feet |

Area Bc - Equipment/Vehicle Parking Area

1 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #145  
1 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #144  
1 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #150  
4 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #133,146,  
147,149  
72 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #111-132  
134-143,148,151-174,  
176,182-195  
5 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #177-181  
1 minor support bldg  
#175

Comments: Vehicle/equipment sheds #136-143 are alternately large and small and may be intended for storage of prime movers and FA pieces.

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| Function/Description | Overall Dimensions |      | Floorspace |         |
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Area Bd - Vehicle/Equipment Parking

- 1 poss maintenance shed #300
- 1 prob latrine #301

Area Ca - Storage/Support Area

- 2 prob storage bldgs #104,105
- 1 major support bldg #106
- 1 minor support bldg #102
- 2 animal pens and associated sheds #103,107

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Floorspace of Major Buildings - Area Ca

Prob Storage

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| Function/Description | Overall Dimensions |      | Floorspace |         |
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|                      | Meters             | Feet | Sq Meters  | Sq Feet |

Area Ra - Possible Major Support Area

- 3 major support bldgs #86-88
- 2 minor support bldgs #89,90

Comments: The function of this area and its relationship to the rest of the installation is undetermined. The floorspace of building #87, including the wing, is

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Area Rb - Outdoor Stage

- Outdoor stage #108
- Seating area #109

Area Rc - Training Area

- 1 training area #110

Comments: Trenching and other indications of training activity extend over a wide area in the hills to the west of the installation.

Floorspace of Major Buildings

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- Barracks
- Barracks (with prob kitchen)
- Poss Barracks/Support Quarters
- Prob Quarters
- Poss Quarters/Support
- Prob Storage
- Poss Storage
- Vehicle/Equipment Storage Sheds

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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\* and  
Activity

Base Data

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Floorspace of Major Buildings

Area Aa

Barracks  
Poss Barracks/Support

Area Ab

Prob Quarters

Area Ac

Barracks  
Barracks (with prob  
kitchens)

Area Ad

Barracks  
Barracks (with prob  
kitchens)  
Poss Barracks/Support

Area Ae

Prob Quarters  
Prob Storage  
Poss Storage

Area Af

Barracks

Area Ag

Quarters  
Prob Quarters  
Poss Quarters/Support

Area Ah

Prob Quarters  
Prob Storage

Area Ai

Barracks  
Prob Storage

Area Ca

Prob Storage

Installation

Barracks  
Barracks (with prob  
kitchens)  
Poss Barracks/Support

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## Chronology Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\* and

## Activity

Quarters  
 Prob Quarters  
 Poss Quarters/Support  
 Prob Storage  
 Poss Storage

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Changes which have occurred within the installation from (date of base coverage) to (date of latest coverage) are listed as follows:

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Area Aa

12 barracks removed  
 20 barracks #8-11,  
 14-19, 22-25,28-33  
 added  
 5 messhalls #12,13,26  
 27,36 added  
 1 latrine #20 added  
 3 major support bldgs  
 removed  
 2 minor support bldgs  
 removed  
 1 basketball court #5A  
 added

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Area Ab

1 prob quarters #54  
 added  
 1 major support bldg  
 #50 added  
 1 major support bldg  
 removed

Area Ac

5 barracks removed  
 1 part barracks #64  
 removed  
 1 part barracks #67  
 removed  
 1 part barracks #71  
 removed  
 9 barracks #65,73,75,  
 77,80-84 added  
 1 barracks #85 ucon  
 1 barracks with prob  
 kitchen removed  
 4 barracks with prob  
 kitchen #66,74,76,  
 78 added  
 1 major support bldg  
 removed

Area Ad

1 poss barracks/support  
 bldg removed  
 1 major support bldg  
 removed  
 1 minor support bldg  
 removed

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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\*and  
Activity

Area Ae

2 prob quarters removed  
5 major support bldgs  
removed  
2 basketball courts  
#201,202 added

Area Ag

1 basketball court  
#283 added

Area Ah

1 prob quarters  
removed  
1 poss storage bldg  
#317 added  
1 poss storage bldg  
#319 added  
1 prob latrine removed  
1 basketball court  
#318 added

Area Ai

4 major support bldgs  
removed  
1 minor support bldg  
removed  
Stockpens and associated  
shed #235 added  
2 basketball courts #346,  
353 added

Area Ba

3 major support bldgs  
removed  
2 major support bldgs  
2,3 added  
1 basketball court #3  
added

Area Bb

1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #59  
added  
1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #60  
added  
1 vehicle/equipment  
storage shed #63  
added  
1 prob root cellar  
#57 added  
4 basketball courts  
#55,56,61,62 added

Area Bc

1 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #145 added  
1 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #144 added

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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\* and  
Activity

4 vehicle/equipment  
shelter #415 added  
vehicle/equipment  
shelter #150 added  
1 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #133,146,  
147,149 added  
72 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #111-132,  
134-143,148,151-174,  
176,182-195 added  
5 vehicle/equipment  
shelters #177-181  
ucon  
1 minor support bldg  
#175 added

Area Bd

1 poss maintenance  
shed #300 added

Area Ca

1 major support bldg  
#106 added  
1 major support bldg  
removed

Area Rb

Outdoor stage #108  
added  
Seating area #109  
added

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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\*  
and Activity

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Facilities

Base data established on this mission.

Vehicles and Equipment

Small scale precluded identification.

Activity

Small scale precluded observation.

FacilitiesArea Ah

1 poss storage bldg #319 had been added [redacted] sq ft)

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Area Ai.

4 major support bldgs had been removed.

1 minor support bldg had been removed

Area Ca

1 major support bldg had been removed.

Vehicles and Equipment

Small scale precluded identification.

Activity

Small scale precluded observation.

Floorspace of Major Buildings [redacted]

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Area Ah

Prob Quarters [redacted]

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Prob Storage [redacted]

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Poss Storage [redacted]

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Installation

Barracks [redacted]

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Barracks (with prob kitchens) [redacted]

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Poss Barracks/Support 763.0 sq m (8,210 sq ft)

Quarters 744.0 sq m (8,005 sq ft)

Prob Quarters [redacted]

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Poss Quarters/Support [redacted]

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Prob Storage [redacted]

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Poss Storage [redacted]

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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\*  
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Chronological Listing of Facilities, Vehicles and Equipment,\*  
and Activity

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Facilities

No changes were observed.

Vehicles and EquipmentSmall scale precluded  
identification.ActivityArea Bc

Excavation and construction of  
vehicle/equipment shelters  
#132-174 and 176-195 was  
continuing. Some of the  
vehicle/equipment shelters,  
particularly #136-143, were  
possibly complete.

FacilitiesArea Ah

1 poss storage bldg #317 added

Vehicles and EquipmentSmall scale precluded  
identification.Activity

The installation appeared  
active.  
Floorspace of Major Buildings -

Area AhProb QuartersProb StoragePoss StorageInstallationBarracksBarracks (with prob kitchens)Poss Barracks/Support

Quarters 744.0 sq m (8,005  
sq ft)

Prob QuartersPoss Quarters/SupportProb StoragePoss Storage

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